

Children and Young People's Neurodiversity Workstream



Shropshire Telford and Wrekin



We are a group of professionals and practitioners who work together to improve services for neurodivergent children and young people aged 0-25.



There are a range of local support providers that can be accessed by children, young people and their families, the majority of which are needs-led and do not require formal diagnosis.



TOGETHER, WE ARE WORKING TO:



Advance understanding and acceptance of neurodivergent children and young people.



Review and monitor the services on offer.



Ensure everyone gets the right support when they need it.



Support the whole family.



Link services for the benefit of all.



Enhance the voice of neurodivergent children and young people.



Teachers and staff in lots of schools recently had special training to help them understand neurodiversity better. They said the training helped them feel more confident and gave them new ideas for supporting all pupils, including those who are neurodivergent.

PACC is linking families with BeeU Assistant Psychologists every month. Families say these sessions help them feel listened to and supported. Lots of people want to join, so the sessions fill up very quickly.

PACC has started new online sessions where families can ask questions and get helpful information. After each session, families can also have a one-to-one call with a "Navigator" who helps them find the right support.

A guide explaining how to use positive, respectful language about neurodiversity is being used by lots of people. Schools in Telford & Wrekin are sharing it with staff and putting copies up in staff rooms. The guide is also helping people talk more about how to make SEND support better.



The School Radio Club is helping pupils build confidence and share their voices. This video shows how much young people enjoy being part of it, especially those who are neurodivergent. More schools are now being invited to join the project.

Southall School and Stoke Heath Prison are working together on a project to create a calm, sensory space for young people. This aims to create a more understanding environment for neurodivergent young people.

BeeU has hired two new staff members to check in with young people and families who are on waiting lists. They aim to help families get support while they wait.

PACC = Parent and Carer Council
SEND = Special Educational Needs and Disabilities